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MACROMONOMER, OLEFIN GRAFT COPOLYMER, AND **OLEFIN RESIN COMPOSITION**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown on the marked-up copy following this amendment to read as follows:

3. (Amended) The olefin branched macromonomer as claimed in claim 1, for which the monomer to constitute it is propylene, or a combination of propylene and at least one selected from ethylene, α -olefins having from 4 to 20 carbon atoms, cyclic olefins and styrenes, and of which the propylene content falls between 0.1 and 100 mol%.